#### CITY OF LEWISTON

#### CITY COUNCIL

**SEPTEMBER 29, 1998** 

#### SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 5:30 P.M.

THE HONORABLE KAILEIGH A. TARA, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Councilors Lynch, Kelly, Albert, Samson, Bilodeau, Putnam and Assistant City Administrator Peter Crichton.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of Silence.

#### PUBLIC HEARING ON THE EMPOWERMENT ZONE PROPOSAL

Development Director Greg Mitchell together with Empowerment Zone Steering Committee Co-chairpersons Larry Marcoux and Denis Mason made a presentation on the Empowerment Zone proposal to be submitted by the City of Lewiston.

## **VOTE (1)**

Motion by Councilor Lynch, seconded by Councilor Kelly:

To amend the Empowerment Zone proposal by reducing the proposed allocation to the Library Learning Center in Year One and Two from \$1,500,000 to \$950,000 with the additional \$500,000 to be placed into a downtown improvement fund. Failed - Vote 2-4 Councilors Albert, Samson, Bilodeau and Putnam opposed.

# VOTE (2)

Motion by Councilor Kelly, seconded by Councilor Lynch:

To change the name of the Library Learning Center to the Cultural Learning Center in the Empowerment Zone application. Passed - Vote 6-0

## VOTE (3)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To adopt the Empowerment Zone proposal to be submitted by the City of Lewiston. Passed - Vote 6-0

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## VOTE (4)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To go into Executive Session to discuss economic development. Passed - Vote 6-0

Reconvened to open session.

# **VOTE (5)**

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To adjourn at 6:45 P.M. Passed - Vote 6-0

A true record, Attest:

Kelly J. Mercier
Deputy City Clerk
Lewiston, Maine